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Application No.: 09/473,323 Confirmation No. 9848  
Applicant: Maini  
Filed: 12/28/1999  
TC/A.U.: 3673  
Examiner: LAGMAN, FREDERICK LYNDON

Docket No.: 21964-P002US  
Customer No.: 31,886

For: **TAUT MOORING SYSTEM FOR JACK-UP TYPE MOBILE OFFSHORE  
PLATFORM**

Commissioner for Patents  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136**

Applicant hereby petitions for an Extension of Time for responding to the Office Action mailed 4 August 2003 for one (1) month to December 4, 2003.

First Month (37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)) \$55.00

A check in the amount of \$55.00 is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-2426 (reference 21964-P002US) of Winstead Sechrest & Minick.

Respectfully submitted,  
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